

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

When a very few large corporations own most of the media outlets, it decreases the diversity of opinion available to the public. It is very dangerous to democracy to put so much power into the hands of a few people who have demonstrated their willingness to use it to achieve their overtly political goals.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.